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## MAPAI PUBLIC RELATIONS BREAKDOWN

*Crisis of Confidence in the Ranks* — PAGES 3-5



## COMMENT

### WHAT HAS CHANGED?

Seven weeks have passed since the break-up of the United Arab Republic. It was no isolated event. It was followed by others—especially in Cairo. And the process is by no means over. But, for a moment—probably not much longer—an uneasy quiet has come over the landscape. It may be real or it may be deceptive. But it provides an opportunity for an interim stock-taking of the new situation: what has changed and what has *not* changed?

No great purpose would be served by trying to assess matters on which we lack the necessary information to form a definitive opinion. There are clearly differences of thought about the decline in President Nasser's standing with his Egyptian subjects. There is a great deal of evidence (but no conclusive proof) that both his hold on the country and his popularity have suffered considerably during these seven weeks.

As against that, stands the opinion of the two principal western ambassadors in Cairo, Sir Harold Beeley and Dr. John Badeau, the two stalwart Arabists who guide their respective foreign offices in London and Washington. Their considered view is quite different. They do not believe President Nasser has suffered any real loss of popularity or has been weakened in any material way.

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It is clearly not possible to form a final judgment on this question of President Nasser's standing. Indeed, it is essential not to form such an opinion on the available evidence; for it might well turn out to be wrong. It is far more important to appreciate that this is an open question which still awaits more clarification.

The same limitations, however, do not apply when we look at the military and security situation after the Syrian *coup*. Here we have some precise information, and we can draw some specific conclusions about the change the Syrian revolution has brought about in the military relationship between Israel and the Arab countries.

It was suggested, in fact, that Israel would be one of the prime beneficiaries of the break-up of the United Arab Republic; that she had now been freed from the threat of encirclement by the two regions of the U.A.R. The defence advisers of the Israel Government (*as our report on page three shows*) do not share this view. They do not see that there has been any material change in any one of the factors that influence the barometer of the military climate.

The budgets for what has become euphemistically known as "defence" have increased rather than decreased. The Egyptians and the Syrians are now separately spending more money on arms than they spent together in the United Republic. Militarily, the experience of the three years of union had shown that the Syrian Army was less effective and less powerful as an element of the armed forces of the United Arab Republic, than it was as a compact national force on its own. Moreover, the Egyptians had at no time been able to develop a really effective command structure which embraced both armies.

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The break-up, therefore, of the united force has largely changed a situation which existed only in theory. In practice, the Israelis once again face the separate armies of Egypt and Syria, of Jordan and the Lebanon. They now face the further consideration that each of their neighbours is trying to show its true Arabism by outbidding the others in its threats against Israel. So long as these remain only threats, no great harm is done—and there is no self-evident reason why any of the Arab leaders should add to their quota of risks by provoking the Israelis.

But there is now another factor which cannot be lightly ignored. Accompanying the latest arrests of Jewish leaders in the Soviet Union, the Russians have launched a particularly unpleasant and undercover propaganda campaign in the Arab world. This is designed (*as is reported on page nine*) to impress on the Arabs that the Israelis are party to a plot which would lead to the establishment of a powerful American base in Israel, and make it the centre of imperialist operations and espionage against the Arab world. Hardly a day passes without some form of incitement of this kind being transmitted from Moscow in Arabic.

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And big fleas, as is well known, have the lesser kind. Cairo, in turn, tries to incite the Syrians against Israel, and the Syrians respond by adding their quota. It is therefore not surprising, though it is depressing, to think that the Israeli Defence Budget has been increased by the Cabinet, and that the same trend is being followed throughout the region.

If there is anything that should convince all concerned of the futility of this continued state of hostile co-existence, it is the utter waste of valuable resources—and cash—that spirals upwards in the cause of defence. Perhaps someone, somewhere, will come to understand one of these days that a settlement is much cheaper and would provide much greater security.



# ISRAEL

## NEW CABINET FACES THE FUTURE

### SOME HOME TRUTHS ABOUT SCIENCE AND EDUCATION

*from our special correspondent*

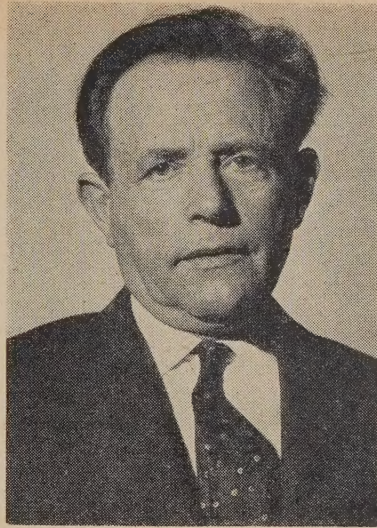
The new Cabinet is now getting down to work and already it has been possible to notice some marked differences between the new and the old.

Above all, there is more team spirit and a sense of mutual confidence. This was not always evident in the old government—especially where security questions were concerned.

Equally significant is the unmistakable impression among Cabinet members that this Government will enjoy a new stability which should enable it to tackle the more difficult problems that lie ahead.

**Ben-Gurion favoured Liberals:** Now that electioneering has made way for the realities of government, there are few illusions about the range of the problems that have to be faced—and faced boldly if they are to come anywhere near a solution. Most of the problems are not new; they are only more urgent and perhaps more manageable.

It is worth noting in this context that the Prime Minister himself—who had been the principal target of the Liberal attack during the election—would have liked to have the Liberal Party represented in the Cabinet. He felt, for one, that they represented an important sector of the country's economic life and had a



HISTADRUT'S BECKER  
*A communications mishap?*

major part to play in shaping the country's economic future.

But it was largely the Liberal failure in terms of what one Minister called "the human landscape" and their excessive demands for ministerial posts that kept them out of office. But it is clear that Mr. Ben-Gurion is not thinking of final exclusion.

**Shadow of devaluation:** Meanwhile, the so-called small coalition has got down extremely well to the business in hand. The Cabinet's defence advisers have not shared in the mood of relaxation (which has been noted especially in reactions to the Syrian secession).

The defence budget has again been increased. This has not lightened the almost impossible financial burden which faces Finance Minister Eshkol—and even more so, his taxpayers. Immigration requires larger funds. Education needs are still far from being met. And the problem of devaluation—despite all official disclaimers—continues to overshadow everything else.

While there is no escape from some of the pressures such as security, immigration and inflation, there is a marked increase in the feeling of Cabinet members that some other long-range problems have been neglected far too long, and now require urgent attention.

**Culture too provincial?** Foremost in the queue is the decline in the quality of higher education. While Israel has a remarkable pool of scientists and technicians, and an even more striking educational framework for their work, there is nothing like the required numbers coming up through the schools and edu-

cational institutions to fill the need.

As one expert put it, sabra culture is still too provincial to meet the targets which their leaders have set the new Israelis. Yet the development plans in this field are enormous and exciting—but they depend on the human material being available. At the moment it is not.

This was one aspect of policy which faced the Governors of the Weizmann Institute of Science at their meeting in London this week. Under the existing circumstances they had to consider to what extent the Institute could fill the gap on the teaching side.

**Adjusting priorities:** There was understandable opposition to any move which interfered with the purely research aspects of the Institute, but there was general appreciation that under the given circumstances the Institute would have to adjust its priorities to the national need.

In London, at a meeting sponsored by the Zionist Federation on Tuesday night, Dr. Charles Hill, Minister of Housing and Local Government, singled out the development of pure and applied science in Israel as the factor that had impressed him most on his visit there. He was struck by the vitality and sense of purpose of the country.

## BUDGET CRISIS HITS HISTADRUT

### LEADERSHIP FAILS TO PREPARE MEMBERS FOR INCREASE

*from our own correspondent*

#### Tel Aviv:

A dispute within the ranks of Histadrut over an increase in membership dues, which threatens to blow up into a first-class crisis, has brought an admission from the Histadrut leadership of a breakdown in communications between them and the rank and file.

But the dispute has done something else. It has made clear that while Mapai and Ahdut Avoda have achieved a close working relationship at Cabinet level, this reconciliation has not spread down the ranks to Histadrut level.

The proposal for an increase in dues came up at last week's meeting of the Histadrut Executive. Depending on their wages, workers would be expected to pay increases of up to £7 per month. The money was needed, it was explained, to meet the 25 per cent increase in the budget which now stands at £135 million.

**Spontaneous reaction:** The Executive was told that the rising cost of administering Kupat Holim, the Histadrut health

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service, the need to allocate more funds for immigrant absorption and increased organisational expenditure made the increases necessary. But, when the issue came to the vote, it was carried only by virtue of Mapai's majority position.

Since that decision there has been a wave of what appears to have been spontaneous reaction against the proposed increases. It started on Sunday among employees at the Dead Sea Works and spread quickly through factories large and small across the length and breadth of the country.

On Monday, it was transformed from a trade union into a political issue when the Liberal faction within the Histadrut, joined by spokesmen for Mapam and Ahdut Avoda, demanded that the Executive be recalled to reconsider the increases. The Communists and Herut have also been seeking political capital from the protest movement.

**£500m. development plan:** Political protest was expected by the Mapai majority on the Histadrut Executive, but not from Ahdut Avoda which was expected to reflect the solidarity displayed in the Cabinet. What caused the surprise was the strength of reaction among members. But this might have been expected, too, for very little effort had been made by the Executive to explain the reasons for the budgetary increase to the rank and file.

Significantly, however, there has been no protest against the Histadrut's plan, announced by secretary-general Aharon Becker, to invest £500 million over the next four years in Histadrut enterprises to be established in three new development areas. The money will be found from Histadrut insurance and provident funds, from the Histadrut's special investment authority and from a government contribution.

The plan was seen by its leading proponents as serving notice on whoever needed it that the Histadrut—with a membership nearing 800,000, or one-third of the population—was not prepared to humour its critics and confine itself to trade union activities. By promoting this massive development plan, it was demonstrating its intention to continue to take an active role in shaping the country's future.

**Not enough for Lavon:** But it was not enough for Pinhas Lavon, making his first public appearance since the Lavon Affair was at its height earlier this year. Lavon told the Executive that there was nothing new in the development proposal. The sort of thing the Executive should do, he suggested, was to demand the right to have a say in national taxation policy.



MAPAI'S ALMOGI  
*Painful pendulum*

## DISCONTENT IN MAPAI'S RANKS

### MEANING OF ANTI-PARTY SWING

*from Yohanan Ramati*

#### Jerusalem:

The elections to the Council of the Southern Division of the Israel Electric Corporation's Employees' Union provided a shock for Mapai and food for thought for everyone concerned with the stemming of inflated wage demands in the economy.

On the national council of the I.E.C. Employees' Union, Mapai had held a majority of 24 seats—amounting to complete control. The results in the Southern Division have converted this into a minority of 2.

The fiasco was complete. In the workers' division, 20 seats were at stake. Mapai did not win a single one. It was faced by a united opposition list presented by Ahdut Avoda, Mapam and dissident members of actions committees. (These committees, created in defiance of Histadrut rulings to wrest additional concessions from the management, have been one of the Israel economy's major headaches during 1961—not only in the I.E.C.).

**Political and personal:** The extent of Mapai's decline may be gauged from the fact that its top candidate in the workers' division polled 504 votes, whereas Ahdut Avoda's Feivel Kantor—the leader of the opposition—polled 938 votes.

In the clerks' division, the situation was

little better. Out of the nine seats at stake, Mapai got only two and the opposition seven, though previously all nine had been held by the ruling party. The engineers' division gave two seats to the "Lakidum" faction, which is not affiliated to the Left-wing parties and is anti-Mapai.

The candidates of the opposition were united in two main objectives. First, the breaking of Mapai's hold on the union, thus paving the way towards the airing of additional demands (not always approved by the Histadrut) in the future, and, secondly, the elimination of Eliezer Shapira from his post on the management as the employees' representative. Shapira's personal unpopularity was undoubtedly a factor in the election, and it is no coincidence that the two Mapai candidates elected are among his opponents.

**Atmosphere of concessions:** Shapira's supporters say that he is an excellent administrator and that his contribution to the smooth and efficient running of the I.E.C. in the past is considerable. His foes criticise his "iron hand", which they claim has led to his individually dictating all the policies of the union, without any consideration for the views of others.

The truth, as usual, is probably somewhere between these extremes, each of which appears exaggerated. But to lay the responsibility for what has happened entirely at Shapira's doors is certainly unreasonable.

The basic reasons for what has happened at the Israel Electric Corporation lie much deeper. Despite Levi Eshkol's success in negotiating a new Government in which Mapai holds almost all the cards, the party is still passing through a crisis, and the Israel economy is still suffering from the debilitating atmosphere of concessions to pressure groups created as far back as July 1960, when the Histadrut pushed through a cost-of-living allowance increment not justified by its agreement with the Manufacturer's Association (the Government not daring to oppose this resolutely).

**Influence of Ahdut Avoda:** This atmosphere was further intensified by the prospect of elections, and the weakness of the authorities resulting from it. Throughout the first seven months of 1961, almost any large body ready to organise itself—with or without Histadrut sanction—for wage or other demands could be assured of a hearing and not seldom of getting what it wanted.

Feivel Kantor and his associates are in an especially "strong" position, because a strike of I.E.C. employees could paralyse the entire Israeli industry and



irrigated agriculture. It remains to be seen whether they will now officially press those demands on the strength of which they got many of their votes. Luckily, Ahdut Avoda is in the Government, and this could perhaps prove a restraining factor.

On the other hand, Mapai would do well not to forget that the I.E.C. election results also mean something else. There is a very natural desire among sections of the population to "try something new" after nearly three decades of Mapai control. There is the beginning of a "swing of the pendulum" in Israel. And this swing is today gaining added momentum because of internal Mapai dissensions.

**Veterans hang on:** All these dissensions—be they in the I.E.C., in Beer-sheba, in Jerusalem or in Givatayim—have one thing in common: they arise from the reluctance of well-established old-timers, the real ruling class of the last thirty years, to share power with younger or "different" party members.

This has been depriving Mapai of an important safety valve—of the ability of counter the swing of the pendulum outside by offering something new inside.

Needless to say, a complete revolution inside would be tantamount to throwing away the baby with the bathwater. What is required is co-operation on an equal basis between old-timers and newcomers—not the substitution of the latter for the former. But among the old-timers, or far too many of them, there is no readiness for such co-operation, except on terms which leave them in complete control.

And even the shock of the I.E.C. results may not prove sufficiently great to change these unpleasant realities.

## DEFEATED AT YUVAL GAD, TOO

Mapai's hold on the workers at the Yuval Gad pipe factory at Ashkelon was seen to have crumbled last week when only nine Mapai members were elected to the 31-man executive council.

Formerly regarded as a stronghold of Mapai, the 450 workers who went to the polls gave most of their votes to a combined list representing all the other parties.

## MIDDLE EAST

### PURGE CLAIMS NEW VICTIMS

#### AMER'S FUTURE IN DOUBT

*from a correspondent now in Cairo*

President Nasser's long series of dismissals, sequestrations and arrests, which seem nowhere near their end, have created an ugly sort of popular excitement. It has become almost a sport to predict who will be named in the following day's newspapers as the latest victim of a Presidential decree.

Jewish businessmen, wealthy Egyptians with fortunes carried over from the last regime and property owners with tidy capital stored away in now nationalised banks were easily pinpointed as potential targets for sequestration and other measures.

But there were some surprises. The Governor of Alexandria, for example. On Saturday, he was reported as proclaiming a grandiose plan for the establishment of a higher agricultural institute in the city. On Monday, together with three other governors in other parts of Egypt, he was booted out of office, and no explanation given.

**Deputy nominated:** But the process of elimination does not seem to be halting at governorship level. There is growing belief that Vice-President and War Minister Field-Marshal Hakim Amer is a candidate for oblivion.

Amer has been under a cloud ever since the Syrian débâcle, for which some reports said Nasser was holding him personally responsible. Until a couple of weeks ago, he was photographed side by side with the President and another Vice-President, Boghdady. Then, overnight, Amer was dropped from the trio, Newspaper pictures featured only Nasser and Boghdady.

At the same time, rumours circulated that officer associates of Amer had been arrested. There was one report that some members of his family had also been imprisoned. In an announcement of amended membership in ministerial committees on executive affairs and econo-



VICE-PRESIDENTS AMER AND HUSSEINI  
*More room at the top?*

mic affairs, the Army was represented by the Deputy Minister of War, although all other departments were represented by their Ministers.

**Trouble in Ismailia?** The bare announcement on Sunday that President Nasser had had "a meeting" with the Field-Marshal, a matter not normally the subject of an official statement, was looked upon as further evidence of Amer's disgrace.

But it might be a mistake to assume that all this is connected solely with the events in Syria. The arrest of a group of air force officers last month (apparently because they kicked against conditions) and reports of trouble within the garrison at Ismailia suggest that Amer has lost his grip on the armed forces.

His position has not been helped by some of the Egyptian officers returned from captivity in Syria who reflect little of the bitterness over Syrian events which is the official policy of the Egyptian Government and Army. It is suggested that a number of these officers have been assigned to Cairo headquarters where they can be kept under close surveillance and their men posted to outlying commands, far from their influence.

**Cairo's rocket:** Firing of another kind is also intriguing Egyptians (and not only them). Reports that Egypt has shot off a space rocket have been given considerable prominence in the Egyptian press—but all the reports stem from outside

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Egypt and are news agencies dispatches based on stories appearing in the West German, Arab and Israeli press.

From the Government itself there has been no official statement, or even confirmation that the reports have some truth to them. Among foreign observers there are two schools of thought. One holds that the Egyptians have indeed fired a rocket but will say nothing about it for fear of giving away information.

The second and more probable view is that the Egyptians have not fired a rocket, but that they are not averse to basking in the glory reflected by Arab reports that they have done so.

**Big money for Dr. Saenger :** But no-one doubts that such a shot is in the offing. Dr. Eugen Saenger, until his recent dismissal, director of the German Institute for Rocket Research and Radiation Technique at Stuttgart, had been hard at work here on a rocket project. He has received a total of £60,000 in monthly salary and expenses from the Egyptian Government.

His statement that he will not be returning to Egypt suggests that his task is completed. If this is true, it is good news for President Nasser, who stands anxiously in need of the kind of boost a rocket launching could give.

## SYRIA PLANS ITS FUTURE ARMY STILL HOLDS GROUND

*from a special correspondent*

Syrians, having found their freedom after three years of containment within President Nasser's United Arab Republic, are now not quite sure what they should do with it.



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The major problem facing Premier Kuzbary and his Cabinet colleagues has been how to retain the best of the Egyptian legislation imposed on Syria without upsetting those at whose expense it was implemented.

Agrarian reform is a prime example. Small though it was in comparison with the need, the measure of agrarian reform implemented by the Nasser regime affected many hundreds of peasant families. It also deprived many powerful landowners of their estates. It is upon such landowners and their associates in commerce that the new regime must depend for re-establishment of those traditional export markets cornered by the Egyptians during the years of union.

But, obviously, there can be no turning the clock back for the peasants. The solution now agreed upon within the Cabinet is that peasants should continue in possession of the land awarded them under agrarian reform legislation. But state funds will be provided for the compensation of landowners affected by seizure. It is probable that independent assessors will be nominated to value the land concerned.

**Why democracy failed :** Protection of the peasants' rights will probably bulk large in the campaign platform for the 170-man legislature which is to be elected on a countrywide basis on December 1. There will be a choice of candidates, but not of parties.

However, the general idea of parliamentary democracy of a limited kind has not been abandoned. This was indicated

in a statement, apparently made on his own initiative and scarcely referred to afterwards, by Minister of State for Propaganda, Information, Radio and Television Dr. Baroudy on November 1.

Baroudy, professor of constitutional law at Damascus University, said the failure of democracy in Syria in the past had been due, first, to an abuse of parliamentary representation, the suborning of people by money and influence; and, secondly, neglect of or dispute over the basic principles of the State.

**Kuzbary's host :** He believed there could be safeguards against repetition of these mistakes and made clear his preference for parliamentary as opposed to presidential government. "In parliamentary government," he observed, "there should be two main parties, one ruling and the other opposing and criticising within the framework of the basic principles of the State." There could also be a third group "with no specific party leanings, which will serve as a balance between the two main parties."

At the moment the Army continues to hold the balance in everything. It is true that the Army has taken no open hand in political discussions, but C-in-C. Zahreddin flatly refused to nominate a military man as Defence Minister when requested to do so by Kuzbary. And the presence of the Army is apparent in all meetings and discussions on Syria's future.

**Lebanon and Israel warned :** Damascus has not been without its alarms and diversions during these past weeks. Newspaper headlines and news broadcasts have regularly retailed reports of incursions from Lebanese territory by Egyptian-organised gangs of raiders and agents, and retaliation threatened.

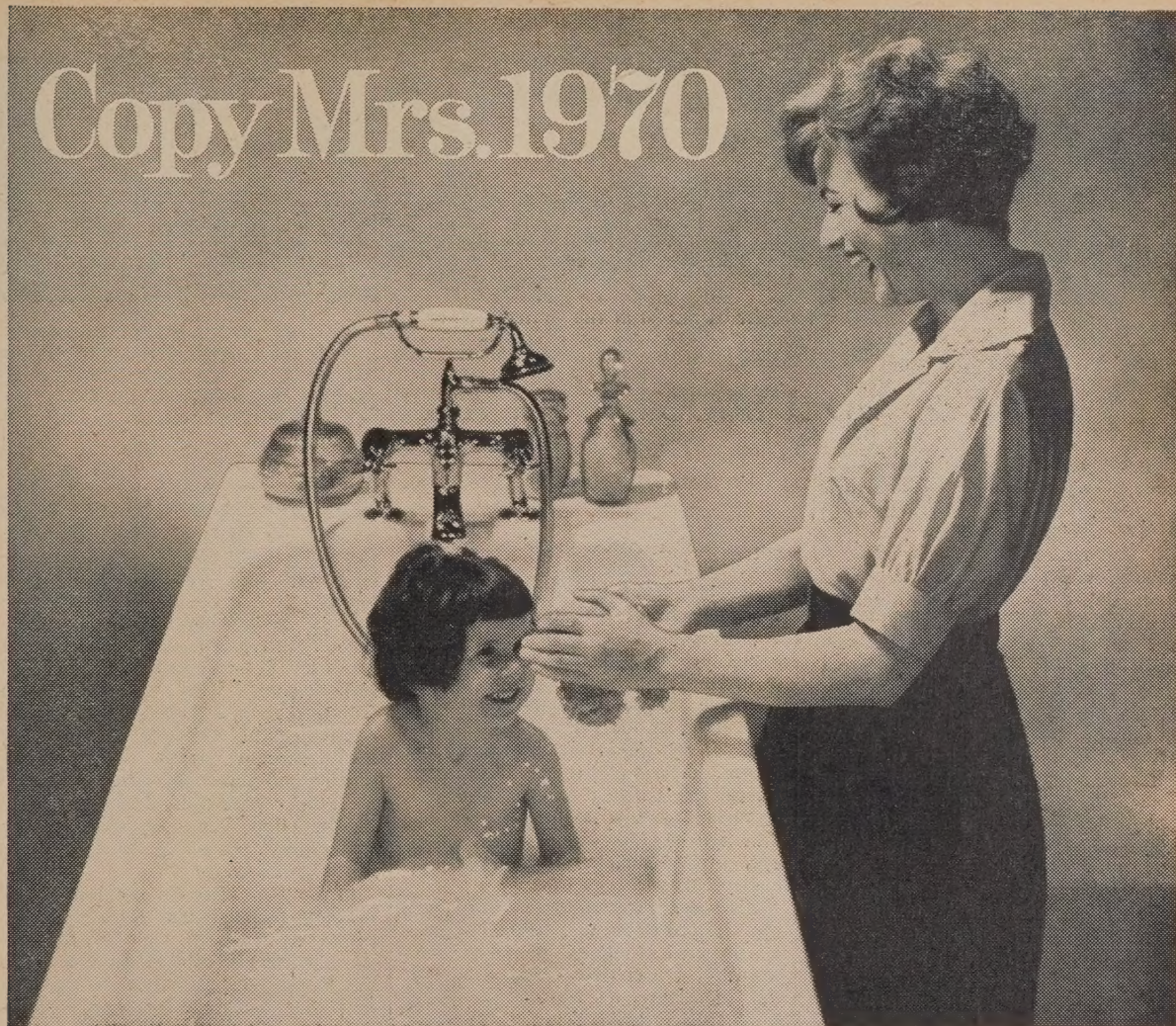
Denials of these allegations by Lebanese Interior Minister Kemal Jumblatt have been dismissed as a cover-up by Nasser's premier Lebanese sympathiser (which he is) and there have been veiled warnings that, if the Lebanese fail to act, the Syrians may tackle the problem themselves by physical action.

Physical action has been more openly threatened along the Israeli border. Prodded by Cairo radio attacks, General Zahreddin has warned that any attempt by Israel to divert Jordan waters in the demilitarised zone along the Syrian border would call down Syrian fire.

But, to tell the truth, the Syrians are more enthralled at the prospect held out last week by Prime Minister Kuzbary of fresh meat supplies from Iraq and Turkey, a welcome relief from the frozen variety ordered for them by the Egyptians during the years of union.



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## J. K. GOLDBLOOM—AN APPRECIATION

### PASSING OF A ZIONIST OF THE GOLDEN AGE

*from a correspondent*

With the passing of J. K. Goldbloom in London last week at the age of 89, the link with the heroic age of Zionism has, for most of us, been irreparably snapped. The portraits of Herzl, Weizmann and other Zionist stalwarts displayed at Zionist conferences and gatherings conjured memories for our elders which we could not share. But in the living presence of J. K. Goldbloom there was personified our own direct connection with the great days of Zionism. Now we, too, must be thrown back on memories.

It was 70 years ago that Jacob Koppel Goldbloom and his young fiancée first set foot in this country. Born in Kletzk, in White Russia, an orphan at five and, at 19, a travelling teacher, the young Goldbloom traced his first steps in this country to Whitechapel, the Whitechapel of Zangwill's golden prose and the people's ragged poverty, of political extremism and militant *Yiddishkeit*.

It was a community which, Goldbloom later recalled, differed little from those of Warsaw and Vilna with which he was familiar. And the rewards which it offered a young man of learning were hardly more than those open to him in eastern Europe. The sufferings of Jewry, he found, changed little with a change in scene. The need, in the absence of much else, was for hope and, already a convinced "Lover of Zion," it was love of Zion that he offered his congregants from the East End synagogue in which he got his first appointment.

Preaching Zionism from the East End while the "fathers" of Anglo-Jewry practised something more like assimilation in the West End, Goldbloom was already a "Zionist leader" when Herzl came to Whitechapel in 1896. It was only natural that the young minister should throw in his lot with the politician, establishing an association with the movement of the

return which lasted until the day of Goldbloom's death.

But his belief in Zionism was not something to be demonstrated only at Zionist Congresses and similar gatherings, though he was a familiar figure at most of these. He carried it into his daily life with the creation, against tremendous opposition, of the Redmans Road Talmud Torah where he introduced the system of *Ivrit b'Ivrit*, the teaching of Hebrew as a living tongue, today the accepted manner of teaching Hebrew, but then a daring innovation which, in the eyes of communal leaders, raised all kinds of doubts.

His home, a bastion of Jewishness, was thrown open to anyone, believer or sceptic, prepared to murmur the magic password "Zion". Its visitors read like a roll-call of Zionist history—Chaim Bialik, Rabbi Meier Berlin, Sokolov, Ussishkin, Eliezer Ben-Yehuda, Shmaryahu Levin, David Yellin and many others. Chaim Weizmann was both a colleague in the service of the English Zionist Federation and a friend in the many problems with which Goldbloom had to grapple as Chairman of the Federation in the twenty years from 1920-1940.

His philosophy of leadership, preached throughout his long life, was that the people could not be led from behind a desk. They had to be found in their homes and in the streets, East End or West End. The leadership had to go to the masses. They would not come of their own accord.

In 1940, at the age of 68, Goldbloom went off to Canada with his wife to become Director of the Jewish National Fund in that country. Despite his age, he applied himself to raising the income of

the J.N.F. there with a will and determination which shamed many a younger man. In five years, he stepped up J.N.F. donations from \$30,000 to \$250,000, addressing over 400 meetings in the process.

When he returned to this country in 1945, it was to take up once again an active role in the Zionist Federation, then preparing to pit itself against the British Government in a desperate struggle for recognition of Balfour's pledge of a Jewish National Home. It was his personality and powerfully expounded argument that carried many doubters into the Zionist camp when opposition to the Government seemed, to some, an act of idiocy if not worse.

In the years after the establishment of the State, the high point of his life, Goldbloom watched with close attention its development and achievements. But with this primary task completed, his attention turned increasingly to problems of education, especially of the younger generation. "Hope," he frequently said, "lies with the children." And it was with children that he found his greatest enjoyment.

The death of his wife a few years ago, deprived him of a companionship which he had enjoyed through 65 years of marriage. It was a blow for which he never found consolation.

### WORLD-WIDE TRIBUTES

Messages of condolence from Jewish leaders throughout the world have been received by the Zionist Federation and the family of the late Rev. Goldbloom.

Israel's President Itzhak Ben-Zvi sent a personal cable of tribute and other messages were sent by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, Israel M. Sieff, Dr. Israel Goldstein, Jacob Tsur, Abraham Harman and many more.



# IN THE NEWS

## WHY DID KRUSCHEV DO IT?

THE ARREST, TRIAL AND SEVERE sentences on three of the best-known leaders of the Leningrad Jewish community have clearly come as a shock to the Jews in the Soviet Union—not to speak of those outside. In the somewhat sinister half-light in which the whole proceeding has been conducted, it is difficult to discern any motive other than that of striking fear into the hearts of the Jews in the Soviet Union—but fear of what?

The powerful Soviet state, with its megaton bombs, surely had nothing to fear from these three elderly Jews, one of them sixty and the other two seventy. But by picking on them, and by imposing sentences of seven and four years' hard labour, without being too specific about the nature of the alleged crime, the Soviet authorities made certain that the implications of this savage punishment would not be lost on any section of Soviet Jewry. The news was sure to get around. At the same time, Krushchev appears to have been somewhat sensitive about openly notifying the world about this Leningrad "plot" against the Soviet Union. There was no official acknowledgement of the sentences until publication of the news abroad compelled Soviet admission.

## VIOLENT ANTI-ISRAEL CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED

These, in turn, were accompanied by accusations that the three Leningrad elders had conspired with foreign agents—to do what? The unsatisfactory nature of the Soviet explanation has given rise to the belief that the Soviet authorities have resorted to this act of terror in order to destroy any possibility of a Soviet link with Jews abroad; a precautionary security measure; a warning to the entire Soviet Jewish community to guard its tongue in its relations with world Jewry and, especially, with Israel.

One curious feature about this turn in Soviet policy is that it has been accompanied by a violent anti-Israel campaign from Moscow. But it has not been addressed to the Russian people, not even to the Soviet Jews. It was beamed—in Arabic—to the Middle East. The Arabs were told (on November 9) that the Israelis were conducting espionage on a large scale in the Middle East on behalf

of the Americans, and that these operations were controlled from West Germany.

On the same day, the Arab listeners were also told that the United States was building a naval base about 25 miles from Gaza on Israeli territory. It quoted Ben-Gurion as saying that, in a future conflict with the Arabs, Israel would receive powerful aid from this base. The report, presumably, referred to the work going on in Ashdod port; but the Arab listeners would not know that.

This was, however, no casual propaganda line. On November 11, the Russians returned once more to this theme. Israel was being turned into a base for the Americans for use against the Arabs, was the argument. The Israeli base would take the place of Kuwait, Dhahran, Bizerta and Morocco—and so it went on. Why should Krushchev devote so much attention to the remaining three million Jews in the Soviet Union and to Israel among all the many nations on which he could pick? At this stage, one can only be curious—and on guard. There is probably a reason for all this, but it has nothing to do with the official explanation. Why pick on the Jews; why try to make trouble for Israel? Only Krushchev has the answer.

## FRANK WORDS FROM AGENCY'S TREASURER

LOUIS PINCUS HAS often been in London, but never before wrapped in the official mantle in which he arrived on Tuesday



LOUIS PINCUS  
*Bigger than Britannias*

night. He has now been Treasurer of the Jewish Agency just long enough to feel the confidence that comes with the growing intimacy and awareness of a job such as his. He has for long been associated with difficult undertakings. More than anyone—and in the teeth of the bitterest of opposition—he established El Al as a world airline by forcing through the purchase of Britannia airliners when no other airline was prepared to back them.

But now he has an even more difficult task. For one thing, he has to consolidate the finances of the Jewish Agency which have not yet recovered from the gigantic undertaking of bringing a million immigrants to Israel and seeing them settled

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there. By itself that would be enough to intimidate any man. But Pincus tells me that for the moment he is not concerned with consolidation. He has more pressing problems. The rate of immigration has again soared. This year, it will be almost three times as great as last year's. Something like 60,000 new immigrants will have come to Israel by the end of the year—if not more; and, at the same time, emigration shows a marked decline.

This is a much larger figure than even the optimists had anticipated. Most of the advance planning that had been done by the Bank of Israel had anticipated a max-

imum addition of 40,000 new immigrants. The actual number is more than fifty per cent higher. In one sense, this additional labour force is, of course, welcome to the Israeli authorities. It is badly needed, but things are not as simple as that. It has to have medical attention. And it requires the right kind of work. In two or three years' time, the newcomers will begin to make their contribution to the economy of the country. But meanwhile the cost of settling and absorbing them runs into millions—rather more than £20 million for this year's immigration alone.

And it looks like continuing, and possibly, even increasing. This was not a situation, Pincus said, which could be left to a hand-to-mouth policy. The Agency must begin to have a planned policy of immigration for the next five years at least; but that could only be done if there was a planned flow of income. Considering the nature of the task undertaken by Israel, Pincus felt that the Jews outside were not pulling their weight. He exempted the Jewish communities of the United States and South Africa from this charge. But, he felt, the European and Latin American Jewish communities were not fully responding to their great responsibility. It is this that he will try to correct during his five days' stay in the country. "The pressure is on," he said, "we dare not relax now—nor for some time to come."

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### DESPITE SUEZ

I WONDER IF President Nasser's Egyptianisation measures will extend to Mr. Maurice Macmillan, Conservative M.P., son of the Prime Minister? Macmillan junior, I see from the latest edition of *Parliamentary Profiles*\*, is a director of the Arab News Agency (Cairo) Ltd., the only British parliamentarian to boast this unusual distinction. He is also, apart from his directorship of the family publishing business and the Globe Publishing Company, a director of the Near and Far East News Agency Ltd., which has its head office in London and which, so I am told, is a closed shop to Jews.

There are few other directorial surprises among the hundreds listed in *Parliamentary Profiles*. Perhaps the most striking fact is the absence of business interests in the Middle East among M.P.'s, except for the association of Sir Henry d'Avigdor-Goldsmid and Harold Lever (a Conservative and a Socialist) with Anglo-Israel Securities Ltd.

\* THE BUSINESS BACKGROUND OF MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT, by Andrew Roth; (*Parliamentary Profile Services Ltd.*) 15s.



# U. S. A.

## JEWS DO NOT RUN THE BANKS

### WHAT B'NAI B'RITH DISCOVERED

from our own correspondent

New York :

In America, as in Britain, it has traditionally been the cry of the anti-Semite that, together with a host of other things, the "Jews run the banks". It has, perhaps, been the most widely believed of their otherwise discounted allegations.

Now, however, it has been shown up for the fabrication that it is, at least in New York. Evidence submitted last week by the Anti-Defamation League of Bnai Brith to a special sub-commission on labour appointed by a Committee of the House of Representatives revealed that, in a study of commercial banks in New York City, only 3½ per cent of their high executive officials were Jews.

Indeed, far from there being evidence of Jewish predominance in banking, the League claimed there was "strong, incontrovertible evidence of religious discrimination in a city in which almost 25 per cent of the population is Jewish".

**Three directors only:** The League's study covered eight of the largest commercial banks in the city. It disclosed that, of a total of 844 officers of the rank of vice-president and above, only 30 were Jews. Of these 30, 22 were con-

centrated in two banks and seven in a third. A fourth bank had one high executive who was Jewish. The other four could not muster even one.

Many banks in the Manhattan area, with staffs ranging from six to 30, did not include one Jew. Of the 197 directors on the boards of eight banks, only three were Jews.

"I do not think these facts come about by chance", a League attorney commented in presenting them to the House sub-committee. "To the contrary, they are strong, almost incontrovertible evidence of an exclusionary pattern, enforced over the years despite all the factors in New York City that serve to combat discrimination. It is ironic that discrimination appears in banking, a field in which it has been frequently—and mistakenly—claimed Jews are supposed to have so strong an interest."

**Squeezed out of insurance:** The attorney also reported to the House officials that a League study on employment practices found that "the ancient habit of discrimination" persists in the life of the insurance industry as well. There had been some liberalisation in the employment of Jewish executives in sales functions in the industry, but home offices showed a "clear pattern of discrimination against Jews".

The study made of seven major life insurance companies, found that 6.2 per cent of all executive employees in branch offices, mainly concerned with selling insurance, were Jewish. In home offices, only 3.6 per cent were Jewish.

"It is significant that even among the 3.6 per cent of Jews employed in company home offices, two-thirds were clustered in jobs as actuaries, doctors, lawyers or accountants," the League attorney noted, adding: "Hence they could not be considered as administrative, front office, or policy-making employees."

**Another reason?** The report also found that branch offices were most apt to hire Jews where sales were to be made in cities with large Jewish populations. Five of the seven companies studied had both home offices and sales branches in the Greater New York. In the New York sales branches of these companies, 10 per cent of the executive personnel were Jews but in the home offices, only 4.1 per cent.

But there is one aspect of the discrimination-in-banking business that may never be fully known: to what extent young Jews, setting out on their careers, discriminate against banks for the practical if mercenary reason that the lower rank, starting jobs are not noted for their remuneration. (Continued on page 12)

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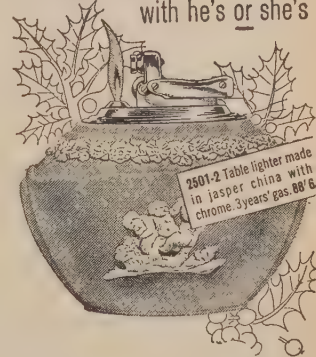
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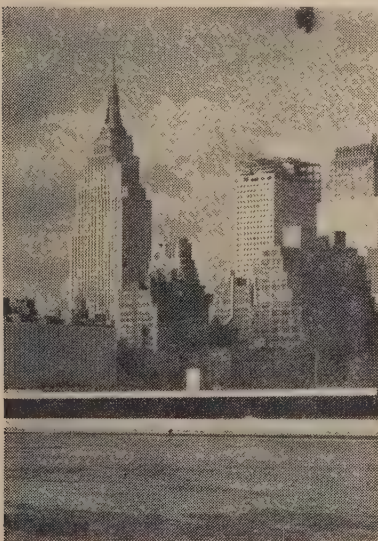
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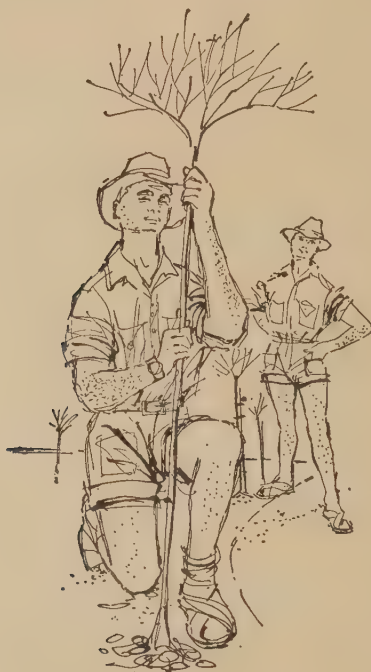


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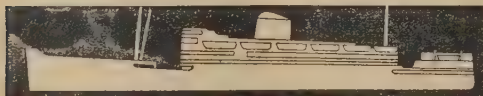
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Nor, for that matter, are the tellers' jobs. There is many a bank that tries to convince its employees that it is worth while struggling on a lowish salary for the sake of the community status that goes with the role of bank teller. It may well be that modern youth, Jewish included, is unimpressed by this viewpoint.

## MORE WOULD SAY "YES" TO JEWISH PRESIDENT

President Kennedy's fight to win the Democratic Party's nomination, and his subsequent successful Presidential campaign, was apparently something of a trail-blazer in paving the way for men and women of minority groups to be returned to high public office.

To get some indication of how the American people feel on such matters, the Gallup Poll took a sampling in 1958 and repeated it this year. The pollsters asked the question: "If your party nominated a generally well-qualified man for President, and he happened to be a Jew, would you vote for him?"

In 1958, 62 per cent said they would, 28 per cent said they wouldn't, and the remainder, 10 per cent could not make up their minds. Three years later, the uncommitted were about the same—9 per cent—but 68 per cent replied "Yes" and only 23 per cent answered in the negative.

**Young less prejudiced:** "Younger persons show less prejudice than older people," the Gallup Poll report states. "Persons with a college background are more tolerant than those who attended only grade school." Here are the figures by educational background of respondents:

The question was—Would you vote for a Jew for President?

	(in percentages)		
	Yes	No	Don't know
College graduates ...	83	11	6
High School ...	73	20	7
Grade (Primary) school ...	55	33	1

And this is how the age groups answered the same question:

	(in percentages)		
	Yes	No	Don't know
21-29 years ...	76	16	8
30-49 years ...	71	21	8
50 years and over ..	62	28	10

The poll revealed that prejudice towards Negroes in high office was also diminishing, while the proportion of Americans who say they would not vote for a Catholic for President had dropped from 25 to 13 per cent.



# ANGLO-JEWRY

## A CROSS-EYED VIEW

### WHAT MR. ANGOFF SAW

Those prayers you have been saying all these past years (and the ones your father said before you), are in fact nothing other than a Reform version of the orthodox service. In fact, most London Jews, like the Chief Rabbi himself, are only nominally orthodox.

Charles Angoff says so. He is an American-Jewish author, lecturer and critic who was born in Russia in 1902 and settled in America in 1908. He is a graduate of Harvard University. Mr. Angoff visited this country during the summer, part of a two-month visit to Europe, during which he "took the occasion to pass considerable time with Jewish leaders and 'common folks.'"

On the matter of religion it appeared that pressured, some said, by the more zealous of his orthodox friends, the Chief Rabbi—"not the bewildered uninformed gentleman that some of his sharper critics make him out to be"—was "trying to lead British Jewry, so to speak, back into the fold of out-and-out orthodoxy."

**Dr. Roth's opinion:** The Chief Rabbi's initiative, it appears, was well-timed, for Mr. Angoff has discovered that England is enjoying "a Jewish revival." More Jews were going to synagogue (have you noticed?), the circulation of the *Jewish Chronicle* had increased to about 53,000 and "the intellectuals especially are showing a greater interest in the Jewish tradition, evidenced by the growing number of purely Jewish books."

But, despite this, Mr. Angoff heard from Dr. Cecil Roth his emphatic belief that "English Jewry was pretty much one of the most intellectually benighted in the world, and that American Jewry was considerably ahead of it." While Dr. Roth maintains this view, Mr. Angoff did not find much acceptance for it in the circles he frequented.

It is difficult to establish just what kind of circles Mr. Angoff did move in. "Time and again in British homes the subject of the plight of the rabbinate came up." It transpired that English rabbis were so hard pressed with an average salary of less than £1,500 that, as one of his circle informed him sadly, "Their eyes bulge with gratitude when they get a generous fee for a Barmitzvah or a wedding."

**Ghetto fish:** Another sad discovery made by Mr. Angoff was that the White-

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chapel of Israel Zangwill's wonderful fiction was no more. "Alas, the Children of the Ghetto are now selling jellied eels right in Aldgate! I shed a tear for the passing of one of the most glorious eras in the history of English Jewry."

Mr. Angoff must cry alone. The children of the sweat shops, the overcrowded houses, the beneficiaries of communal charities will be unable to share his sorrow.

French Jewry, Mr. Angoff found, was even worse off. "Everywhere I went in the Jewish community in Paris, I encountered gloom or bewilderment or despair." And, in Italy, things were so bad that there were millions of Italians, especially south of Rome, who had not even seen a Jew.

**Waiting for the blossom:** At the end of his two months in Europe—where the real purpose of his visit had been to examine the place of American literature in the curricula of European universities—Mr. Angoff had the overall feeling that European Jewry was tired and depressed.

"It has carried the torch of Jewish culture in the diaspora these many centuries, adding glory upon glory to the Jewish tradition, but more and more of its scholars have emigrated to America, and so have an increasing number of its artists."

True, American Jewry had no *Jewish Chronicle*, it had yet to produce a *Last of the Just* or bring forth a Marc Chagall. But European Jews interested in becoming rabbis had to go to American semin-



TALKING POINT IN GOLDERS GREEN  
Not a jellied eel in sight

aries if they wished to achieve the best training. And American Jewish literature was growing so fast that "a genuine flowering cannot be far off."

**Fiction expert:** Among American Jews as a whole there was a more open, a prouder consciousness of Jewishness. "The knowledge that European Jewry is looking to us—as, in a different sense, to Israel—for leadership should make us try harder to realise our potentialities."

If it were true, it might also induce its volunteer investigators to establish their facts a little more carefully. It will come as no surprise to learn that Mr. Angoff is lecturer in fiction at a number of American universities.

What is, surprising, however is that space for publication of his findings should have been accorded by the editors of *Congress bi-Weekly*, official journal of the American Jewish Congress.

**No unusual powers:** Expending many thousands of dollars annually, through the World Jewish Congress, on the maintenance of a world-wide system of information and other departments, it might have taken some trouble to ensure that its own journal was equally well informed.

In the event, Mr. Angoff, who modestly claims to have no unusual powers of observation, has performed no service for his publishers, his readers or European Jewry. But there should be some repercussions in the jellied eel market.

G.D.P.

## BOOKS

### DISSECTING THE LEVANT

THE CHANGING PATTERNS OF THE MIDDLE EAST, 1919-1958, by Pierre Rondot; 221 pp., index, appendices, maps; (Chatto & Windus) 25s.

As one of the foremost French experts on the Middle East, Colonel Rondot could have been expected sooner or later to write this book about the area. Since it was written in 1959, the passage of events has overtaken some of it, but its analyses are still valid—and highly valuable.

The French, up to the end of the second World War, had wide interests in the Middle East, and there was hardly a Frenchman who did not revile "perfidious Albion" for having manoeuvred, as the French thought, France out of the Lebanon and Syria, and who did not feel a glow of intense satisfaction that the British, in turn, were manoeuvred out of the Middle East by the Americans and, later, the Russians. This situation did not, of course, prevent the French co-operating with Britain in the ill-fated Suez campaign—for their own reasons.

Some idea of the specifically French reasons might have been expected to appear in Colonel Rondot's book, but he has carefully avoided any bias, and his book is free of partisan writing. His analysis of the events leading up to the Suez affair—the Aswan dam offer, its withdrawal which Nasser felt to be a "slap in the face", his reaction to the slap (nationalising the Suez Canal), Anglo-French reactions and the Israelis' Sinai offensive—is one of the best to have appeared anywhere. The Americans could not be expected to take the same view of the Suez Canal nationalisation as the English and the French, because so few American ships used the Canal, and American oil supplies did not depend on it. The Russians could not let pass "an adventure which would humiliate its customers and establish a western political and strategic stronghold on the glacis of the neutralist Arab world". Colonel Rondot goes on to say that the west misjudged the force of Arab nationalism and the extent of Russian penetration in the Middle East. This is something the west has been consistent in ever since the end of World War II.

Colonel Rondot knows the Arab world—and the Arab mind. He does not

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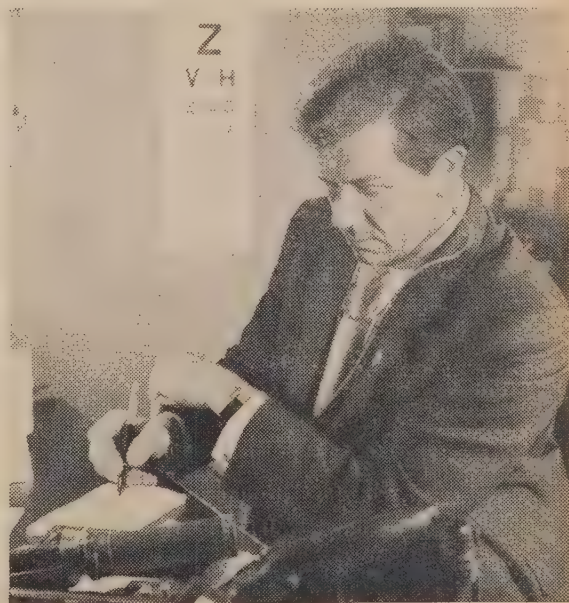
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One may differ here and there with Colonel Rondot's emphasis, but one cannot question that this is one of the best analyses of the Middle East as it is today, with the motives and considerations of the protagonists clearly illuminated. Colonel Rondot's *tour de force* is helped in no small measure by an excellent translation from the original French by Mary Dilke.

Sidney Lightman

**ALL THE SALT YOU NEED**

LOOK BACK MRS. LOT, by Ephraim Kishon, 244 pp.; (Andre Deutsch) 15s.

This, says the author, "is the first English-language collection of Israeli satirical short stories in two thousand years." Here is one reader who would say the wait has been well worth while. Kishon's humour is sharp and searching, but never bitter. One short "story"—uproariously amusing though it will be—contains more of the basic truth of Israel than a stack of learned books. He is a master satirist whose passionate attachment to Israel is illuminated by his awareness of her shortcomings. And even those, one comes to feel, are a joy to him.

Take Kishon on immigrants: "While the State is unable to give every new immigrant an apartment, it does, however, reward veteran Zionist militants in this way. Logical consequence: everybody is a veteran Zionist militant. There are so far fifty officially registered former secretaries of Theodor Herzl." Or the problem of certifying a lunatic: "If elsewhere somebody started crowing, people would know that he had gone out

of his mind. In Israel, one has to consider the possibility that the person in question may be a new immigrant from Tibet, speaking his native brogue. He smears spinach on his head? Who knows but that this may be a Bolivian custom?"

To follow Kishon through the labyrinth of acquiring an import licence, travelling in a bus, investigating the religious establishment ("Agudat Israel is the party of the bearded ultra-orthodox Israelis. They are our Jews.") or the provision of a gift for a friend ("According to our debt-plagued Finance Minister, anything that can be bought for money is a luxury"), to travel with him on the daily round of Israeli life is to come closer to the heart of Israel than even the best-introduced outsider can expect.

Geoffrey D. Paul

**THE MAN BEHIND MAPAI**

NACHMAN SYRKIN: Socialist Zionist, by Marie Syrkin; 332 pp.; (Herzl Press) \$5.

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## LETTERS

### THE "JEWISH CHRONICLE"

Sir,—We, the undersigned, much regret the comments published by you on November 3 with regard to the 120th anniversary of the *Jewish Chronicle*.

Both personally and on behalf of the Jewish National Fund for Great Britain and Ireland, we wish to dissociate ourselves from your remarks.

R. Chinn,  
President

M. Sacher, S. J. Birn,  
Joint Treasurers

65 Southampton Row, W.C.1.

### DUBNOW'S CENTENARY

Sir,—Your issue of November 3 complains that the symposium of the World Jewish Congress to mark the centenary of Simon Dubnow was held in Yiddish and therefore no opportunity was provided for a large circle of young people to get to know the work of Dubnow.

It would appear that the writer of this comment did not read your own journal of March 10, 1961, when you reported that Dr. Aaron Steinberg, Cultural Director of the World Jewish Congress (who was the main speaker at the Yiddish Symposium) would lecture on Dubnow in English during Jewish Book Week.

Having already had a Dubnow Evening in English, it is only natural that the World Jewish Congress should have been happy to sponsor one in Yiddish for the many (to judge by their number) who wished to hear about Dubnow in the language which he, too, spoke.

Elizabeth E. Eppler,

Secretary, Cultural Committee

World Jewish Congress,  
British Section,  
55, New Cavendish Street,  
W.1.

### POLISH YIDDISH THEATRE

Sir,—I think your note in the issue of November 3, about the translation earphones in the Kaminska Theatre in Warsaw, which Sir Barnett Janner mentioned at the Princes Theatre, needs clarification. Hitler was under the impression that he had written off Polish Jewry. We Jews outside Poland should not try to do that as well. Obviously, there is no longer a Polish Jewry of 3½ million, as there was before Hitler invaded Poland. But there is still an active Polish Jewry of over 30,000.

There is no question that, without the subsidies and other facilities it enjoys as a State Theatre, the Yiddish Theatre in Poland could not exist, with the number of Jews there now. It is surely a matter of gratification that the Polish Government finds the Yiddish theatre activity in Poland deserv-

ing State recognition, and State financial and other encouragement. The Yiddish Theatre is considered one of the leading theatres in Poland. The latest issue of the Polish theatre magazine, *Teatr* contains an article on the Kaminska Theatre, partly devoted to the play, *The Trees Die Standing*, and Ida Kaminska's virtuoso performance in it. "All Poland went to see it," the paper says. And it is primarily for the many non-Jewish Poles who regularly frequent the Yiddish Theatre that the translation earphones were installed. There are of course young Jews who use them too. But I can say from personal knowledge that most Jews who go to the Yiddish Theatre

follow the plays in Yiddish.

I would also like to say that I have many times visited the Jewish schools in various towns in Poland, and found the children there speak, and play among themselves in the playground in a good natural Yiddish.

Instead of dwelling on the very much diminished numbers of Polish Jewry today, we ought to say a *bracha* for every Jew who has survived in Poland, and to bless God that there are so many determined to live on Jewishly, with strong Jewish interests.

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# ISRAELI ENTERPRISE

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## CITRUS COMPETITION IS GROWING

JAFFAS ARE STILL HOLDING THEIR OWN

*from a special correspondent*

Rome :

Far and away the biggest grower of citrus fruit in the world, responsible for over half of world production, the United States could cause havoc in export markets if it unloaded its crop there, according to F.A.O.\* figures released here last week. Fortunately for the other producers, however, most of the citrus grown in America goes for processing into juices, essences and frozen concentrates.

A large part of American citrus is

and Louisiana all add to the total.

Last year the U.S. produced over four million tons of citrus. The present season, which ends in the early summer of 1962, is expected to see an increase in American output of oranges, grapefruit, lemons, tangerines, mandarins, clementines and other lesser fruits, such as tangelos, of some 500,000 tons—a rise of 12 per cent.

**Spain comes next :** An appreciable way

### WORLD CITRUS PRODUCTION 1960-61 AND 1961-62

(in 000's of tons)

Country	Oranges		Grapefruit		Lemons		Other Citrus Fruit	
	1960-61	1961-62	1960-61	1961-62	1960-61	1961-62	1960-61	1961-62
United States ...	4,040	5,340	1,494	1,613	499	no figs.	220	188
Israel ...	380	408	59	71	16	21	16	18
Spain ...	1,272	1,510	4	6	74	94	101	125
Italy ...	708	795	—	—	312	339	115	118
Greece ...	182	190	—	—	70	75	19	16
Morocco ...	425	406	16	15	15	12	37	35
Algeria ...	212	270	6	6	12	13	100	100
Tunisia ...	60	60	—	—	17	20	13	11
Other Med. countries*	667	no figs.	13	no figs.	188	no figs.	114	no figs.
Total Med. ...	3,906	—	98	—	704	—	515	—
Other areas (Japan, etc.)	932	—	123	—	138	—	866	no figs.
<b>WORLD TOTAL</b>	<b>8,878</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,715</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,341</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,601</b>	<b>—</b>

\* This figure includes Portugal for convenience

grown in Florida, where Valencia oranges are much favoured. Over 75 per cent of Florida's oranges go to the citrus processing plants. But Florida is not by any means the only state of the Union to produce citrus. California, Arizona, Texas

behind America, though well ahead of any other country, comes Spain, which last year grew 1.28 million tons of oranges, nearly a third of the Mediterranean area's total output of 3,900,000 tons, and one seventh of the world figure of 8,878,000 tons.

By the end of this season, Spain's orange output will have exceeded 1½ mil-

\* Food and Agricultural Organisation of the United Nations.



GRADING THE JAFFAS

*Behind the Spaniards, ahead of the Moroccans*

lion tons, a tidy increase of about a fifth. Her mandarin and tangerine crops will be up too, as will her lemons, though for these, the Mediterranean area's prime producer is Italy.

From 312,000 tons last year, Italy will progress this season to 339,000 tons, compared with the expected Spanish total of 94,000 tons, Greece's 75,000 tons, Israel's 21,000 tons and Tunisia's 20,000 tons. As is the case with oranges, the world picture shows the U.S. as overwhelmingly dominant—half a million tons, more than a third of the world total of 1,341,000 tons.

**Maghreb on the up-grade :** One of the interesting aspects of the citrus production figures is the way the countries of the Maghreb are rapidly growing in importance and will shortly present a serious challenge to the traditional producers, certainly as far as quantity is concerned.

The question of quality and taste is

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something different, and it may well be that Israel, Spain and Italy will continue to have the edge over their rivals for very many years to come. Even so, as the newcomers to large-scale production improve their methods of growing and grading, marketing and packing, the older growers will have to look to their laurels.

Italy still has a comfortable lead over her next nearest competitor as far as oranges go. With a yield this season estimated at 795,000 tons (last year's figure—708,000 tons), Italy's oranges will be well ahead of Israel—408,000 tons, Morocco—406,000 tons, Algeria—270,000 tons and Tunisia—only 60,000 tons.

**Moroccans become rivals:** Both Morocco and Algeria are coming up fast, and Israel's Jaffas can expect increasing competition from the Moroccans. Although the crop is lower in Morocco this year than last, it is only 2,000 tons behind Israel's. Last year it was 45,000 tons more than Israel's, and though this was not the most important factor in the lower prices Israel received for her citrus fruit, it must be taken into account.

Algeria is producing over half as much as Israel—270,000 tons this season, compared with Israel's 408,000 tons—which would seem to leave the Israelis a comfortable margin—but the Algerian rate of increase from 1960-61 to 1961-62 is over 27 per cent. The corresponding Israeli figure is just over 7 per cent.

As far as grapefruit growing is concerned, Israel reigns supreme in the Mediterranean, and comes second only to the United States when the whole world is taken into account. U.S. production is huge—1,613,000 tons out of a world total of 1,845,000 tons, but Israel produces three-quarters of the Mediterranean total of 110,000 tons.

**Israelis hopeful:** Despite the traditional competition and the growing challenge represented by the newcomers, the Israelis remain sanguine. They point to the long-standing record of high quality their citrus enjoys, the growing demand for citrus all over Europe and especially in Britain, their largest customer for years, their readiness to adopt the most modern growing and marketing methods, and the fact that Jaffas are juiciest.

Their optimism seems justified. So far this season the Israelis have exported 82,000 cases of citrus, including 7,000 cases of lemons. Even at this very early stage of the season, this figure is already 15,000 cases higher than this time last year. While the U.K. price has dropped from 41 shillings a case then to 38 shillings now, the larger quantity of citrus sold will more than offset the difference in price.

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**FEDERATION OF ZIONIST YOUTH.** Shaftesbury Hotel, Monmouth Street, W.C.2. Lecture by Mr. L. Bakstansky on "Chaim Weizmann". 7.30 p.m.

Monday, November 20

**WANSTEAD AND WOODFORD Z.S.** Lecture by Major Yochanan Bar-Sella on "Israel and the Middle East in the 60's". 57 Hollybush Hill, Wanstead, E.11 (by courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. J. Redman). 8.30 p.m.

Thursday, November 23

**ST. JOHN'S WOOD AND THEODOR HERZL SOCIETY.** Dora Freedman Hall, 39-41 Grove End Road, N.W.8. Combined Meeting. Speaker: Dr. Geoffrey Wigoder on "Jerusalem Calling". 8.30 p.m.

Saturday, November 25

**ZIONIST FEDERATION SYNAGOGUE COUNCIL** and Shepherds Bush, Fulham and District Synagogue Honorary Officers. M'lava Malka. Hyman Fisher Hall, la Poplar Grove, W.6. Speakers: Rabbi B. Lopian, Rev. A. M. Lev. Liturgical musical items by Rev. N. Harman. In the Chair: Rev. I. L. Abrahams. Admission free, no appeal, all invited. Refreshments. 8 p.m.

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**Sunday, 26th November**—Southend and West-cliff.

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**Thurs. 30th November**—Youth Dept. Jewish Agency and L.J.S.A. Hillel House, Endsleigh Street, W.C.1. 5.30 p.m.

**Golders Green.** Lebetkin Hall, Golders Green Synagogue, Dunstan Road, N.W.11. 8.30 p.m.

**Saturday 2nd December**—Finsbury Park Z.S. 7.30 p.m.

**Sunday 3rd December**—Federation of Zionist Youth.

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**Thurs. 7th December**—Hendon Z.S. Sol Cohen Hall, Raleigh Close, N.W.4. 8.30 p.m.

From the 8th December Dr. Geoffrey Wigoder will visit the following Provincial Centres:—Leeds, Grimsby, Hull, Newcastle, Manchester, Sheffield and Liverpool.

Fuller details will be announced in due course.



# JPA-JNF NEWS

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## J.N.F. CONFERENCE: WORKING SESSIONS WIDE-RANGING DISCUSSION ON ACTIVITIES

It was perhaps inevitable that the discussion at the J.N.F. annual conference on ways and means to reach the target for Korazin bore some similarity to previous J.N.F. debates. Although the J.N.F. is, by definition, a forward-looking movement, it must go back to its foundations and basic principles when considering such matters as education, fund-raising, finance and publicity. This at any rate is how it struck delegates when they met during the Sunday morning and afternoon sessions of the conference to get down to the coming year's activity.

The importance of the separate com-

mittee meetings in the morning was that they gave every delegate a chance to express his views and get them accepted to the degree that these became recommendations for the afternoon session. Because each year brings its new delegates, we hear many new campaign ideas in this way.

The following recommendations and reports of these committees indicate the broad thinking of delegates on practical matters, and the scope of the task facing the administrative committee and the honorary officers when they begin their meetings to go fully into them.

### YOUTH AND EDUCATION

Dr. I. Levy, who presided over the committee dealing with Youth and Education, formulated his proposals in the form of "affirmations." He was rather "fed up," he said, because all the proper and decent things were being said about education but very few of them were being put into practice by the senior officers. He wanted these officers to take direct action in what he considered the most valuable feature of their work. But did they know of the many splendid publications produced by his department? Did they know of the war against boredom being waged by the J.N.F. in the Hebrew classes?

Unfortunately, they did not know. And this led him to a further worry, that education was not affecting the adults themselves, both in the senior and the younger Commissions. Dr. Levy proposed that this subject be tackled without delay and he was particularly glad of an offer of co-operation by Trevor Chinn in the problem of education among Younger Commission members. Dr. Levy's review was supported by Beatrice Barwell, who fought like a tiger to defend this cause as a supreme obligation on the part of those who were not only J.N.F. workers, but parents besides.



*Eric Raffles of Manchester dares the executive with a provocative point.*

### FINANCE AND BEQUESTS

Realism in targets was the theme of the report by Michael Sacher on behalf of his Finance and Bequests committee. It did the Fund no good if groups pledged amounts far beyond their fund-raising capabilities. About the newly-published J.N.F. Guide, a looseleaf booklet that has long been in demand, the recommendation was put forward that the present distribution to vice-presidents and Commission chairmen be extended.

This committee emphasised the importance of co-operation from solicitors in Bequest work, and J.N.F. officers were asked to make full use of the films and pamphlets available on activity.

The K.K.L. Executor and Trustee Company was a source of valuable information on the subject, and Commissions must be encouraged to use this department for advice on Wills, Executorship, J.N.F. Bequests and matters concerning charitable trusts and covenants.

### FUNCTIONS

With S. J. Birn and E. R. T. Shaerf conducting this session, some constructive recommendations were made on the all-important subject of functions, the basis of so much Commission work.

Among the ideas that arose were a proposed national tennis tournament, bingo sessions and coffee parties, in addition to the traditional community dinners and dances. Functions could also have a cultural content, and it was felt that all groups should organise at least one social



*Making a point from the platform: Dr. I. H. Levy.*



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*An after-the-conference meeting of honorary officers to elect the new administrative committee produced these slightly exhausted faces of Ram Haviv, director, Rosser Chinn, H. J. Osterley, executive director, and Michael Sacher.*

function a year with entertainment of a specifically Israeli nature. In this way they could win the interest of those as yet unaware of, and not involved with, J.N.F. work. One further point: minor functions to supplement income and provide regular programmes were recommended. Small Commissions facing difficulties in arranging such activities could organise them jointly with other bodies in their towns and districts.

## BOXES, TREES AND GOLDEN BOOK

Israel's Barmitzvah year of independence does not end before May, 1962, and until then an all-out effort must be made by Commissions to secure the subscription of 13 trees from every Jewish household. A J.N.F. Shabbat and a Tu B'Shvat house-to-house tree drive were among the suggestions made to achieve the target. This was the gist of the recommendations on Boxes, Trees and Golden Book.

The appointment of a Box chairman, and the subject of box-placing should feature on the agenda of each Commission. Simchat officers must be elected to promote traditional activities of Golden Book and tree-planting.

Bernard Maisel, chairman, recommended on behalf of his colleagues that a Barmitzvah Medallion be introduced. It would be available to donors of 15 guineas and be available in addition to the existing Sefer Barmitzvah.

## ORGANISATION AND DEVELOPMENT

The keynote of the previous evening's deliberations had been Korazin, and consequently the Organisation and Development committee dealt with the practical aspects of this £500,000 project.

This in its turn hinged on recruitment, and it was recommended that drives, through public gatherings and house parties, take place. Contact through Box-holders and liaison with other Zionist bodies should be strengthened.

This committee, under the chairmanship of Eric Raffles, wanted all recommendations of the six conference committees to be placed before the plenary session as resolutions to be carried out by the administrative committee. This suggestion was however withdrawn after the implications were explained and a vote taken. It was emphasised that draft agendas of the various committees ought to be in the hands of Commissions in time for amendments to be made.

## INFORMATION

Complaints that touring Israel was in general too expensive, and that trips were not being planned with full consideration given to the needs of J.N.F. participants, were voiced in the committee dealing with Information and Tourism.

S. Appelbaum, chairman of this committee, introduced the J.N.F. Guide and the committee considered this very helpful to the organisation, supporting the Finance committee's proposal to widen distribution.

Pamphlets, films and speakers were



*A vote is taken.*

assessed, resulting in a promise of wider distribution of published material.

## YOUNGER COMMISSIONS

Reporting to the plenary on the position of the Younger Commissions, Trevor Chinn said they had raised £28,000 this year as compared with £22,000 in 1960 and £11,500 in 1959. The target for 1962 was £35,000.

This was a realistic figure, based upon the increased potential of their groups. He described the national conference of Younger Commissions which had taken place two weeks previously, referring to the new groups formed in London and the Provinces. "We are a firmly established body in the J.N.F., and the largest linked Jewish youth organisation in this country."



*Making a point from the floor: Trevor Chinn.*



# J P A - J N F N E W S

Altogether, they had two and a half thousand members but they were by no means satisfied with this number and they needed new Commissions, particularly in the large centres. Having created this movement, they now had a responsibility of "what to do with our people," so as to fill their time meaningfully and use them as a spear-head of Israel consciousness among the young people of this country. They were shortly to conduct a leadership course in which this and related problems would be discussed. Finally, the chairman paid a warm tribute to his deputy, Conrad Morris, and his other colleagues who had helped to raise the body to so strong a force.

## DEBATE

The afternoon's report gave delegates an opportunity to voice their own views, many of them very strongly, on the character of J.N.F. work in Britain and Ireland. Among the seasoned campaigners who contributed to the discussion were Louis Domb of Kingsbury, S. J. Birn (joint treasurer), H. A. Leon of Dublin, Mrs. S. S. Waldman of West Ham, Mrs. Dawn Shaerf (Wimbledon), I. Freedman of Southend, H. Green of Southport, Conrad Morris (Younger Commissions), J. Shedley (Southend), A. Rosenberg (Bridge chairman), Mrs. Anita Bursk of Manchester, I. Baum of Birmingham, and B. Gothelf of Stamford Hill who moved a resolution congratulating the *Jewish Chronicle* on its 120th anniversary.

Many newcomers to J.N.F. work were also heard. Among them were G. Sunshine and Mr. Taylor of Luton, and D. Karp of Liverpool.

## THE EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE J.N.F. ELECTED AT CONFERENCE

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Rosser Chinn.

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**Younger Commissions :** \*T. Chinn, \*C. Morris, D. May, M. Phillips, Miss J. Gordon, John White.

\* Denotes membership of Administrative Committee.

## BRIDGE PROGRESS

Many London districts have now made their plans for the J.N.F. national bridge tournament.

**Edgware :** At a meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Posner, the same executive as last year was elected to promote the tournament, with M. Posner as chairman, B. Posner, treasurer and D. J. Lesser, secretary.

**Hendon :** A meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Austin saw the election of M. C. Scott and D. Sacks once again as chairman and vice-chairman respectively, while Mr. and Mrs. Austin will fulfil the duties of treasurer and secretary.

**Kenwood :** Abel Harris, at whose home the inaugural meeting was held, will again lead Kenwood's bridge effort with B. Green as deputy chairman, treasurer, A. Morris and secretary, V. Silverman. B. Green and V. Silverman were the local champions in 1961.

**St. John's Wood :** A two-man committee will represent St. John's Wood, the chairman being S. Englander, with P. Lowe as treasurer and secretary.

**Wembley :** Bridge instruction was requested at Wembley's meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Frome. Convener of such a course will be B. Silverman. Other officers: Chairman, A. Frome; vice-chairman, A. Smith; treasurer, E. Benjamin; secretary, Mrs. M. J. Eisen.

**Willesden :** At a meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Harris, the committee elected was as follows: Chairman, A. Harris; treasurer, W. Ohrenstein; secretary, Mrs. A. Harris.

## THEATRE FOR WEST HAM

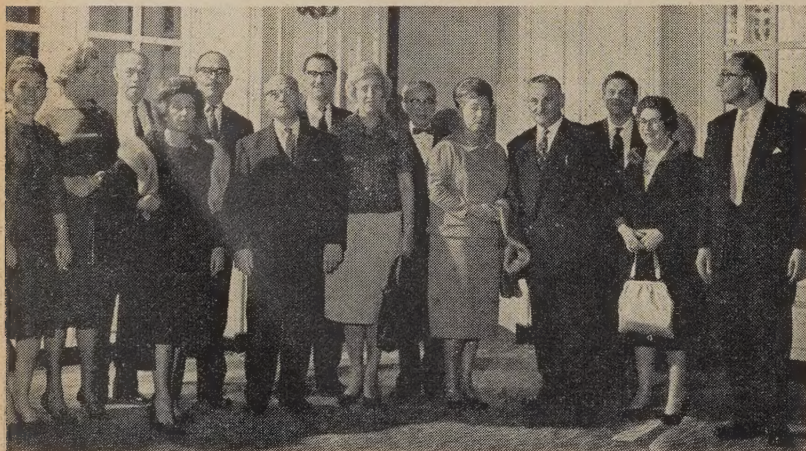
A Gala Performance of a Yiddish play will be performed at the Grand Palais on November 28 for the West Ham J.N.F. Commission.

Tickets for the performance are available from H. Angel, 44 Earlham Grove, Forest Gate, London, E.7. Phone: MARYland 6016.

## SOCIAL IN WIMBLEDON

The Wimbledon J.N.F. Commission's second local function, which was at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. Fishman recently, took the form of a social evening.

Following a previous successful function, the attendance was good and £112 raised for the J.N.F.



I. Freedman with his large Southend delegation.



# J P A - J N F N E W S

## EDGWARE FOR KORAZIN

A dinner and ball organised by the Edgware J.N.F. Commission at the King David Suite, London, recently, raised £5,000 for the J.N.F., which will go towards the Korazin target. "On-the-spot" contributions and a brochure supplemented the proceeds of the function, which had an attendance of 300 people.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Miller were hosts and in the chair was Archie Arenson. Prominent in ticket sales was S. Minsky, while Mrs. Minsky was responsible for securing over 300 children's names for the brochure.

Cyril Stein, Edgware's chairman, expressed his appreciation to the Commission, mentioning in particular their dedicated secretary Mrs. H. Bayrock. Edgware had raised £10,000 for Biranit, Mr. Stein reminded the gathering, and they intended to raise another £10,000 in the coming year for Korazin.

## NOTTINGHAM ELECTIONS

J.N.F. workers meeting at the Community Centre, Nottingham, have elected the following to executive positions: President, Louis Davis; vice-president, Rabbi Dr. Posen; chairman, Joe Dessau; vice-chairman, Harold Davis; treasurer, R. Prevezer; secretary, Cecil Austin.

## SWANSEA LAUNCHES APPEAL



The present critical stage of immigrant absorption and the shortage of housing in Israel was the theme of Donald Silk's address to a J.P.A. gathering at Swansea recently. Dr. L. A. Sylvester, chairman of this committee, presided at the dinner, at which Mr. Silk, shown here with members of the committee, was guest of honour.

Other speakers were O. Benjamin, L. Sokoloff and L. Palto, and as a result of Mr. Silk's appeal, an excess of £1,700 over the amount promised at last year's inaugural gathering, was raised. The committee, which is currently canvassing, are hopeful of achieving £2,500 for the 1961 campaign.



Among the newly elected vice-presidents. From left, B. Zissman, T. Chinn, C. Morris, L. Domb, A. Jenshil, M. Phillips, H. Ross and N. Ezro.

## EUROPEAN YOUTH FOREST

At a recent meeting of the Zionist Youth Council of Great Britain and Ireland, it was agreed that a "European Jewish Youth Forest" be planted in Israel, in accordance with the decision of the recent youth conference in Paris.

The trees will be subscribed through house-to-house drives and small functions such as bazaars.

## THIS WEEK'S BEST BOXES

**E. LONDON:** Dr. and Mrs. Steinberg, 320 Commercial Road, E.1, £25.0.0. Staff of C. M. Pasha Ltd., 255/9 Commercial Road, E.1, £12.0.0. Mrs. Samuels, 188 Langdale Mansions, E.1, £8.15.0. Messrs. Benmax Bros., 22 Mare Street, E.8, £8.5.0. Mr. Rose, 13 Batson House, off Berner Street, E.1, £3.16.3. Mrs. Heller, 15 Everard House, Boyd Street, E.1, £3.3.0. Clayton Furs, 502 Kingsland Road, E.8, £2.14.0. Alfred Green Robes, Ltd., 583c Commercial Road, E.1, £2.10.0. Mrs. L. Marks, 85 Graham Road, E.8, £2.3.0. Mrs. S. Schwartz, 33 St. Phillips Road, E.8, £2.1.2.

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**N.W. LONDON:** Mrs. Silver, 15 Dunster Gardens, N.W.6, £5.9.0. Mr. L. Knobil, 11 St. James Mansions, West End Lane, N.W.6, £3.10.0. Mr. S. Finkelstein, 4 Gladys Road, N.W.6, £2.5.0. Mrs. R. Daiches, 25 Cavendish Road, N.W.6, £2.0.0. Mrs. Bertha Stiebel, 62 Marlborough Mansions, Cannon Hill, N.W.6, £2.0.0. Mr. A. Susskind, 9 St. James Mansions, West End Lane, N.W.6, £2.0.0.

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**STANMORE:** Mrs. R. Newman, 17 Dovercourt Gardens, £4.11.0. Mrs. Grovic, 15 Valencia Road, £2.11.0. Mr. Nathan, 44 Silverston Way, Marsh Lane, £2.8.0. Mr. H. Rayner, 7 Merriion Court, Merriion Avenue, £2.8.0. Mrs. Simons, 22 Dalkeith Grove, £2.0.0. Mrs. B. Courts, 1 Halsbury Close, £2.0.0. Mr. Paul Leboff, 52 Langland Crescent, £2.0.0. Mr. H. Powell, 20 Lansdowne Road, £2.0.0.

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